

Honorable Ellen Corbett State Capitol, Room 3092 Sacramento, CA 95814

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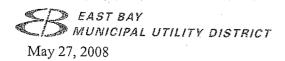
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Honorable Alberto Torrico State Capitol, Room 3160 Sacramento, CA 95814

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